



## Westermost Rough Fishing Community Fund

Latest News: The Fund is open once again to applications



### THE FISHING COMMUNITY FUND IS OPEN ONCE AGAIN TO APPLICATIONS

The Westermost Rough Fishing Community Fund has opened to applications.

Details about the fund and how to apply are described overleaf

### LAST YEAR (2016) FOUR FISHING COMMUNITY PROJECTS WERE FUNDED

#### 1. NEW LOBSTER HATCHERY & RESEARCH FACILITY FOR HFIG

Pictured above, construction started in Bridlington in 2017

#### 2. EXPERT IN HATCHERY DESIGN

Dr John Terschak was recruited to HFIG.

#### 3. NEW FACILITY FOR HORNSEA FISHERMEN

A new compound will be built for Hornsea fishermen.

#### 4. SAFETY EQUIPMENT

HFIG fishermen will soon be able to apply for safety equipment. This project is still under-development but we have set aside up to £20,000 for safety equipment. We are currently seeking to obtain matched funding from an EU Fisheries grant. Our intention is to be able to make available to members of HFIG certain safety equipment such as survival suits, MOB EPIRB personal beacons and MOB slings. We will provide further details on this project through Mike Cohen in an update in the near future.

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#### Dr John Terschak recruited to HFIG

An expert in hatchery design, over-seeing the design, build and operations of a new lobster hatchery and research facility.

#### New Fishermen's compound and vessel maintenance shed in Hornsea

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In partnership with the East Riding of Yorkshire Council the fund is financing the construction of a new compound and shed for Hornsea fishermen. Construction is due to start in 2018.

## Fishing Community Projects already funded

Last year the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Fund was used to finance four projects, shown on the cover page.



## Fund reopens to applications

Funding totalling, £ 110,240 is available for HFIG members to finance fishing community project ideas in 2017.

## What is the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Fund?

DONG Energy has agreed to donate funds to support local fishing community projects in the Holderness area (Bridlington to Easington) (i.e. into the “Westermost Rough Fishing Community Fund”).

The Westermost Rough Fishing Community Fund has been established to finance community projects that are of potential benefit for the members of HFIG. The Fund is managed and administered by an independent grant-making not-for-profit company, the West of Morecambe Fisheries Ltd (WOMF Ltd). The Westermost Rough Fishing Community Fund was established in 2016 and has already funded several fishing community projects (detailed on front page).

### WHAT SORT OF PROJECTS CAN BE FUNDED FROM THE WESTERMOST ROUGH FISHING COMMUNITY FUND?

The fishing communities (primarily fishermen or their representatives) are encouraged to submit ideas for community project(s) they would like to see receive funding from the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Fund. Projects that have wider potential benefits for the local fishing communities will be preferred over those which benefit only a few or single individuals. In addition, projects which include a component of matched funding, e.g. from EU grants or other sources, are attractive, however this is not a strict condition for funding, and applications for projects without matched funding will be considered.



## How to apply? – It's very easy!

Only applicants who belong to, or who represent HFIG, or otherwise can demonstrate belonging to the local fishing community are eligible to submit project ideas for funding from the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Fund. There are two ways to apply for funding:

*Method 1.* Project ideas should be submitted in writing using the attached application form (known as a Concept Note) to the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Steering Group via Mike Cohen. Mike Cohen's postal address is detailed on the cover of the Concept Note. No other format of application can be considered.

*Method 2.* Alternatively, you can ring or email Mike Cohen with your ideas, as he has kindly offered to fill out an application form (Concept Note) on behalf of any HFIG member if they prefer this application method.

A blank Concept Note is provided at the end of this document (Annex 1). All Concept Notes submitted need to clearly indicate the level of support the project idea has from the local fishing community. Wider support from the majority of the local fishing community is required for large project ideas (i.e. those that request in excess of £40,000).

Should you have any questions or require help in completing a concept note, please contact Mike Cohen.

### CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS

The 2017, Concept Notes can be submitted at any time until 28<sup>h</sup> August 2017 via Mike Cohen, after which they will be evaluated by the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Steering Group.

This Steering Group is formed of a DONG Energy Representative and a West of Morecambe Fisheries Fund Representative.



Please note that you can also download an application form (Concept Note) off the website [www.westofmorecambe.com](http://www.westofmorecambe.com) (see latest news).

# How will the applications be evaluated?

## Initial screening by Mike Cohen (CEO of HFIG)

Project ideas and applications shall firstly be collated and examined by Mike Cohen. The purpose of this initial step is to screen applications, comment upon the level of support that each application has from the local fishing community and to rank those applications that HFIG believes should be supported and receive funding. His recommendations will subsequently be passed on to the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Steering Group.

## The Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Steering Group.

The Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Steering Group is formed of a nominated DONG Energy representative and West of Morecambe Fisheries Ltd representative. The Steering Group will decide which of the concepts should be developed further for funding. A representative from the steering group will advise at this stage what further action is required (if any) to develop the concept note into an acceptable project proposal. The Steering Group will ultimately decide which projects will receive funding, taking account of the recommendation made by the Mike Cohen / HFIG.

### EVALUATION CRITERIA

The evaluation of concept notes and subsequent applications for funding by the Steering Group will be based on the following fundamental criteria:

**Fairness** - is the fund being used to benefit the fishing community fairly? Projects must not represent a disproportionate use of the available funds for any sub-groups.

**Appropriateness** - is the fund being used to fund something appropriate?

**Recommendations** - as received from the Mike Cohen / HFIG.

**Wider benefits** - Does the project benefit the wider fishing community over individuals? Projects that benefit multiple individuals in a community rather than individuals are preferred.

The Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Steering Group will inform all applicants to the fund (via Mike Cohen) of their decision as quickly as possible. Unsuccessful applicants to the Fund have no right to appeal the decisions made by the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Steering Group.



# **Annex 1**

## **Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Fund**

### **Application for Funding for a Fisheries Community Project**

#### **Concept Note (Initial Application Form) 2017**

(The closing date for applications to this fund is the 28<sup>th</sup> August 2017)

**Please complete this form in writing and post to:**

**Mike Cohen  
Chief Executive Officer  
Holderness Coast Fishing Industry Group  
Old Harbour Masters Office  
Harbour Road  
Bridlington  
YO15 2NR**

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<b>Applicant details</b> <i>(Please fill out boxes)</i>	
<b>Applicant Name:</b>	
<b>Contact Details:</b> <i>(Please provide details of address, post code, contact telephone number and email)</i>	
<b>Please indicate in the space below what part of the Holderness Fishing Community will potentially benefit from this application:</b>	
<b>Please indicate in the space below the level of support this application has from the fishing community:</b>	
<b>This application has the support of:</b> <i>(Please fill out the table below as appropriate &amp; provide contact details of representative from the supporting fishing community who can be contacted)</i>	
<b>Name(s):</b>	
<b>Contact details (s):</b>	

**Project details** *(Please fill out boxes)*

**Please provide a concise summary of your project idea:**

<b>What benefits will your project give to the local fishing community?</b>	
<b>What is the total amount of funding you are applying for from the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Fund (including VAT) (£)?</b> <i>(Please attach any supporting information where applicable, e.g. quotes)</i>	
<b>Do you have any other sources of funding which are being used to contribute towards this project?</b> <i>(If YES – please provide further details below)</i>	<b>YES / NO</b> <i>(Delete as appropriate)</i>
<b>If successful, when would you like the funding to be made available for the Project from the Westermost Rough Fishing Community Project Fund?</b> <i>(Please refer to the Indicative Timeframe)</i>	
<b>Signature:</b>	
<b>Print name:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	